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## Chimney Rock: Pueblo History Within the Southern Ute Landscape

By **Jeremy Wade Shockley**  
*The Southern Ute Drum*

The Chimney Rock Archaeological Area sits on 4,100 acres of San Juan National Forest land surrounded by the Southern Ute Reservation. The land was proclaimed National Forest Reserve by President Theodore Roosevelt at the turn of the century and designated an Archeological Area and National Historic Site in 1970.

The Chimney Rock prehistoric structures were constructed roughly between AD 1000 and 1100, according to Elizabeth Ann Morris, Professor Emerita, Colorado State University. Morris also states that the inhabitants of the site were ancestors of one or more of the modern Puebloan tribes such as: Hopi, Zuni, Jemez, Acoma, Taos, Picuris, or another of the Rio Grande Pueblo Tribes.

An annual cultural gathering is held at the Chimney Rock site each summer, where tribes with ancestral roots to the Chimney Rock inhabitants return to dance in the traditional way. Kivas are

opened up for these ceremonies and access given to dancers and singers participating in the cultural gathering. The gatherings are held each year and open to the public as well as other indigenous dancers who perform just out side of the restricted archeological sites.

Here there is a strong connection with the peoples and architecture of Chaco Canyon, a major trade center, located over the border and ninety-five miles to the southwest in what is now the State of New Mexico. Chaco is thought to have been a site designed as an astrological center, perhaps for observing the sun's patterns and for recording, understanding, and interpreting the growing seasons and calendar cycles. It is also thought that perhaps Chimney Rock served a similar purpose in regards to the moon and its rising patterns. During what is known as the Major Lunar Standstill, the full moon can be seen by the naked eye, rising directly

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photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Piercing the summer sky, two stone formations known as Chimney Rock and Companion Rock, define the ridge where Ancestral Puebloans built Kivas and erected ceremonial sites for religious and astronomical purposes. The rock formations have served as geographical markers for centuries, guiding the Spaniards north from Mexico, as well as the miners who later sought silver and gold in the region. Early bands of nomadic Utes also looked to the twin towers as landmarks, ancestors of the Southern Ute Indians, who's land surrounds present day Chimney Rock.

## Labor Day Weekend Motorcycle Parade Returning to Durango

**Durango Business Improvement District**  
*Media Release*

Following a two-year hiatus, the parade of motorcycles will return to Downtown Durango on Sunday, Sept. 5 with the Motorcycle and Classic Car Parade. Held in conjunction with Ignacio Bike Week/Four Corners Motorcycle Rally, the event is hosted by the City of Durango, with sponsorship support of the Durango Business Improvement District (BID) and the Durango

Area Tourism Office (DATO), among others.

Designed to include a full morning of activity in Downtown Durango, the event features a burrito breakfast benefit for veterans; tribal blessing and special presentation by wounded Army Specialist BJ Jackson; classic car display; and back-to-back parades along Main Ave. of classic cars and motorcycles. Flyovers from the La Plata County Civil Air Patrol will precede both the classic car and motorcycle parades.

“Durango has been interested in hosting an event during the rally weekend for several years, and this year the City of Durango is pleased to have the opportunity to revive the parade,” said Bob Kunkel, the city’s central business district development manager. “Thanks to coordination with the Ignacio Bike Week committee, we’ve been able to add new components, so it won’t be ‘just’ a motorcycle parade. There will be a lot going on Downtown.”

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## 2010 Census Recognizes Tribe



photo Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM

Amadeo Shije (left), Tribal Coordinator Denver Regional Census Center, presented a plaque of recognition to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for its cooperation in the 2010 Census campaign. Shije gave a brief summary of the process as it was handled on reservation lands, stating that the official count would be presented in a report to the President on December 31. Shije is pictured here making his presentation to Chairman Matthew Box of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe on Wednesday, August 4. Some of the federal community programs depend on Census Bureau data to guide the allocation of funds to their projects, creating a strong argument for a complete and thorough census count across all demographics. While the census has served to count the US population for generations, experts hope to replace the census count with a better alternative by the year 2020.



photo Robert Ortiz/SU DRUM

With intense concentration, archers line up to take aim at a 3D bear target as the last challenge in the long distance shoot during the annual Archery Challenge at Lake Capote held August 6-7. The distance for the older participants was approximately 75 yards, while the younger archers shot from about 20 yards. Left to right: Kruz Pardo, Jack Frost III, Krista Richards, Lainey Espinosa, Alex Lopez and John House.

## Summer Rains Couldn't Dampen Spirits as Archers Take Aim

By **Don Folsom**  
*SUPD Sr. Community Resource Officer*

The twang of the bow. The hiss of the arrow in flight. The thud of arrow impacting the target. The squeal of delight from the archer. The quiet nod of approval from the proud parent. These were sounds of the sixth annual Archery Challenge sponsored by the Southern Ute Police Department.

Approximately twenty archers and their families enjoyed Lake Capote on August 7th and 8th as the Archery Challenge kicked off. Archers practiced their techniques under the watchful eye of Jack Frost Jr. and his helpers. Parents encouraged their children as young as four years old to aim carefully and wait until they were sure of their target. The older, more experience youth could be heard encourag-

ing each other and bragging when the arrows found their mark. Balloon shooting followed the practice and it was hard to keep the supply of balloons on the targets because the accuracy was quickly improving.

In the late afternoon, the archers took to the field and began the practice on the 3-D targets. These included life size deer, ram, boar, turkey, beaver and even a velociraptor dinosaur provided by the Four Corners Bowhunters Association. You could hear the encouragement of the archers as they cheered each other for the hits and groaned for the misses. Shooting between bushes and over ravines, the archers stalked their prey. Tired and thirsty, they went back to the campsite for a meal of chicken wraps and fruit. During dinner, it started to drizzle and by dark, it started to pour. The rain washed out the evening

speaker and the coon shoot competition but the enthusiasm stayed bright for a beautiful sunrise and a burrito breakfast.

After morning practice, the sun and the competition heated up. The archers divided up into their age groups and took to the field. Competition on the 3-D targets was so fierce, that it resulted in a couple of ties that had to be decided by a shoot off between the archers. This was followed up with a long distance shoot over a distance of approximate seventy five yards for the older archers and thirty five yards for the younger archers. After the competition, trophies, medals and prizes were awarded to the archers for their skill and improvement. In this competition, everyone hit the mark.

Archery Challenge results can be found on page 5 in this issue of the Drum.





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## Tribal Update

### Food Service Training Course

A food service course is being offered on August 24, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Leonard C. Burch Building in the Buckskin Charlie Room, on the second floor at 356 Ouray Drive in Ignacio. A Food Handler Training Certification is also being offered on August 26, from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Sun Ute Community Center, also in Ignacio. For more information contact the Southern Colorado Ute Service Unit at 970-563-9443. No reservations required; course capacity based on space availability. Must be 12 years & older. Certification Cards will be issued within five days after successful course completion.

### Surplus Casino Items Being Offered to the Membership

Property & Facilities will be conducting a walk thru of the old casino on Tuesday, August 17 for those tribal members who want leftover items, such as old computers, monitors, chairs, surveillance cameras and such. Some of the items will be limited to the membership. Other items that will be sold are bedroom sets, some kitchen equipment and AC units from the hotel bedrooms. There are a few large items that will be sold through submission of sealed bids, i.e. walk-in coolers, trailer, and garage. Items that are purchased or bid on will be sold on an as is basis. Items will need to be removed from the property no later than August 29. The tribe will also be accepting sealed bids for several of its vehicles that are located at the Southern Ute Motorpool facility, to view the surplus vehicles you will need to contact Mr. Irvin Casias or Mr. Roger Sage Jr. All items that require seal bids will need to be returned to the Property & Facilities Director – Ernest "Muz" Pinnecoose, in person or by mail by the close of business on August 19, mailed Bids may be sent to P.O. Box 737, Ignacio, CO. Bids will be opened on Friday, August 20. Should you have any questions please Muz at 970-563-0100 ext.2220 or 970-749-4834.

### Denver Regional Office to Give Veterans Benefits Presentation

The Department of Veterans Affairs from the Denver Regional Office will be conducting a VA benefits presentation to Southern Ute & Ute Mountain Tribal veterans. This benefit presentation will be held at the Sky Ute Casino 14324 US Hwy 172 N. Ignacio, Colorado at 10 AM August 26, 2010. Topics Covered include: Compensation and Pension Benefits, VA Guaranty Home loans and VA educational benefits. This presentation will last approximately one hour. VA employees will be available after the presentation to answer questions and provide assistance with completing claim forms.

### Attention: Call For Vendors

**For the 2010 Fathers Wellness Conference  
Sept. 23-25, at the Sky Ute Casino Resort**

**Native Artisans Booth \$75; Non-profit booth \$100; For Profit booth \$175**

For vendor information please call 970-764-5631.

For additional conference information check online at [www.fathersvoices.org](http://www.fathersvoices.org)

*Proceeds from booth fees and donations will fund the 2011 Fathers Wellness Conference.*

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VOICES

## Southern Ute Royalty Pageant

The Southern Ute Royalty Pageant is scheduled for  
August 31, 5:30 pm at the Sky Ute Casino Resort.

If you have any questions please contact the Southern Ute  
Royalty Secretary Lorena Richards at 970-563-0255.

## Upon Considerable Amounts of Rainfall, County Lifts Fire Ban

### La Plata County

Media Release

Upon the recommendation of Sheriff Duke Schirard and the local fire chiefs, the La Plata County Board of County Commissioners today lifted the fire ban for Zone 1 of La Plata County which includes all private lands in the unincorporated areas of La Plata County located south of US Highway 160, excluding those private lands in the town of Bayfield, Ignacio,

Durango or any State, Federal or Tribal lands. The fire ban was originally enacted to minimize the high degree fire danger that existed in La Plata County due to a lack of moisture and extremely dry conditions. Since the fire ban was put in place, the measurement center at the Durango-La Plata County Airport has received 2.48 inches of rainfall. Other areas have received considerably more rainfall.

Although the fire ban has been

lifted, residents are still encouraged to exercise caution when burning and to consult with their local fire chiefs prior to burning for specific safety instructions. In all cases, prior to burning, residents should contact their appropriate fire dispatch center. For residents in Fort Lewis Mesa, Durango Fire & Rescue and Upper Pine fire districts, call 970-385-2900. For residents in the southeast section of the county, in and around Ignacio, call 970-563-4401.

## Colo. Senator Addresses Tribe



photo Ace Stryker/SU DRUM

Senator Whitehead stated he was appointed to the state senate last August to fill the vacancy that was left when Senator Jim Isgar resigned to work with the US Department of Agriculture in charge of rural development for Colorado. Mr. Whitehead is the Senator for Senate District 6 which covers eight counties of southwest Colorado, including the Southern Ute Indian Reservation and Ute Mountain Reservation. Mr. Whitehead will be meeting with both Tribal Council's to provide an update on the Legislative agenda that he carried last year as a freshman legislator as well as to hear any concerns or ideas Tribal Council may have for future legislation sessions.

## Southern Ute Tribe 2010 General Election Schedule

The Election Board has determined these are the dates for the upcoming 2010 General Election, according to the Constitution and the Election Code.

### General Election - November 5, 2010

**Constitution; Article IV, Section 1: There shall be annual elections on the first Friday in November.**

### Statement of Intention Deadline - September 6, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-3-101 (3): A Statement of Intention shall be filed with the Election Board not less than sixty-days (60) preceding the date of the General Election.

### NOTICE TO SOUTHERN UTE TRIBAL MEMBERS:

**The Statement of Intention Deadline, for the 2010 General Election falls on the Labor Day holiday, therefore, the Election Board office will be set up in the Justice Center Lobby between the hours of 8:00am to 5:00pm.  
To answer any of your questions, please call 970-563-0100 x2303 or x2305.**

### Election Board Decision Regarding Eligibility Deadline - September 21, 2010

Election Code 11-3-102 (2): Any decision of the Election Board regarding eligibility shall be made at least forty-five (45) days before the election

### Notice of Election - October 6, 2010

Election Code 11-4-102 (1): Election Board shall post notices of the election within the So. Ute Reservation at least thirty-days (30) before each election.

### Voter Registration Deadline - October 27, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-1-104 (1): Any enrolled So. Ute Tribal member, 18 years or over, shall register themselves to vote by this date and time to be qualified to vote at the upcoming election. The deadline to do so is seven (7) business days before the election.

### Absentee Ballot Request Deadline - October 27, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-5-102 (2): The application, letter, or telephone call requesting an absentee ballot must be received by the Election Board no later than the close of business at least seven (7) business days before the election

### Emergency Ballot Request Deadline - November 4, 2010 by 5:00 p.m.

Election Code 11-5-107 (1) (2) (3): A voter may make a written request that the Election Board provide him an emergency absentee ballot if (a) he will be confined in a hospital or at his place of residence on election day because of events arising after the deadline for absentee ballot requests; or (b) he will be absent from the reservation on election day and the reason for such absence arose after the deadline for absentee ballot requests. The written request shall contain the following the voter's name and address, the nature of the emergency causing confinement or absence from the reservation, and the voter's signature. The emergency ballot request must be made before the day of the election. The Election Board shall review emergency requests on a case-by-case basis. If the Election Board determines not to grant the request, the voter shall be promptly notified of the denial and the reason. If the Election Board determines that the request should be granted, the Election Board shall deliver the emergency absentee ballot at its office during regular business hours or, in the case of a medical emergency, at the place where the voter is confined.

*If you have any questions or concerns, please contact our office at 970-563-0100 ext. 2303 or 800-772-1236 ext. 2303. The Election Board Office will have new hours of operation beginning Aug. 2, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.*



90th Anniversary  
**SOUTHERN UTE FAIR  
CONTEST POWWOW**  
September 10-12, 2010  
Sky Ute Fairgrounds • Ignacio, Colorado



**MC's**  
**Northern MC:**  
Jason Good Striker,  
Casper, ALB  
**Southern MC:**  
Wallace Coffey,  
Lawton, Oklahoma

**Honor/Color Guard**  
Southern Ute Veteran's  
Association, Ignacio, Colorado

**Host Southern Drum**  
White Tail Singers,  
Macy, Nebraska

**Host Northern Drum**  
Blackfoot Confederacy,  
Browning, Montana

**Gourd Dance Drum**  
Youngbird Singers,  
Norman, Oklahoma

**Northern Drum Judge**  
Randy Baskemin,  
West Valley, City, Utah

**Southern Drum Judge**  
Steven Little Cook,  
Poncha City, Oklahoma

**Arena Director**  
Bart Stevens,  
Albuquerque, New Mexico

**Head Gourd Dancer**  
Russell Blackbird,  
Lawrence, Kansas

CONTEST CATEGORIES

**Grand Entry**  
Friday 7pm  
Saturday 1pm & 7pm  
Sunday 12 pm

**Women's (18-49)**  
Fancy Shawl  
Jingle Dress  
Southern Cloth  
Southern Buckskin  
Northern Cloth  
Northern Buckskin

**Teen Girls (12-17)**  
Fancy Shawl  
Jingle Dress  
Southern Traditional  
Northern Traditional

**Junior Girls (7-11)**  
Fancy Shawl  
Jingle Dress  
Traditional

**Men's & Women's Golden Age Senior Division**

**Tiny Tots (0-6)**  
Day Marley

**Gourd Dancing**  
Friday 5-6:30 pm  
Saturday 10-12:30 pm & 5-6:30 pm  
Sunday 10-11:30 am

**Men's (18-49)**  
Fancy Dance  
Grass Dance  
Southern Straight  
Northern Traditional  
Chicken Dance

**Teen Boys (12-17)**  
Fancy Dance  
Grass Dance  
Southern Straight  
Northern Traditional

**Junior Boys (7-11)**  
Fancy Dance  
Grass Dance  
Traditional

DRUM CONTEST

**Combined Northern & Southern Division**  
First \$12,000  
Second \$8,000  
Third \$5,000  
Fourth \$3,000  
Fifth \$2,000  
**Guaranteed Payout!**

Over \$50,000  
in guaranteed  
Dance Payouts!

Committee Specials TBA

ARTS & CRAFTS BOOTHS

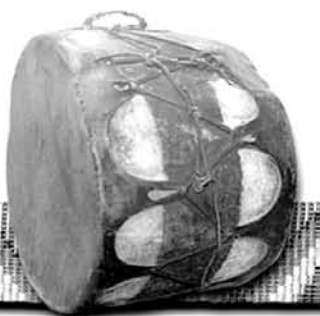
**Inside –** Jeannette Frost, 970-563-0128  
10' x 10', \$75 per day (CASH ONLY - Fees  
subject to change). Bring your own set up.

**Outside –** Kendra Alexander, Manager,  
Sky Ute Event Center, 970-563-5541  
\$75 per day for 10' x 10' and  
\$100 per day for 10' x 20'

For further information contact  
Mike Santistevan at 970-563-0255  
or Cindy Winder at 970-563-0100, Ext. 2301

The POW WOW Committee will not be responsible for accidents, injuries and theft. Alcohol and Drugs not permitted!





## Of Four Corners Interest

### “Move ‘n Groove Fitness Class” Offered For Seniors

The Durango La Plata County Senior Center will be offering a “Move ‘n Groove Fitness Class” on Aug. 6 and 20 and Sept. 10 and 24 from 9:30 a.m. to 10:15 a.m. at the Durango La Plata County Senior Center, 2424 Main Avenue, Durango. The purpose of the class is to help participants gain strength and flexibility in a fun environment. Cost is \$3 per class. Participants can sign up in the lobby of the Senior Center at 2424 Main Ave. For information, please call Recreation Coordinator Trish Gunberg at (970) 382-6428.

### Archuleta, Montezuma and Dolores County Drivers Study Released

The Region 9 Economic Development District of Southwest Colorado has released the results of the Montezuma, Archuleta and Dolores County Economic Drivers Study. Called the Southwest Colorado Economic Drivers Study, this data measures the activities that bring outside money into our area and impact our communities. This study grew out of a desire to estimate the number of jobs associated with second homes and is actually Phase III of the regional 2nd Home study, first released in 2006. The full documents are now on Region 9’s website and can be downloaded at [www.scan.org](http://www.scan.org). Region 9 hopes these studies will be a starting point for public discussion on the problems and opportunities of each individual driver. For more information, please call Region 9 at 970-247-9621.

### Alive and Wild Food Prep Classes Offered

Non-profit Turtle Lake Refuge is offering an Alive and Wild Food Prep Class four (4) Tuesdays, beginning Aug. 17 to Sept. 7, 5:30-8:00 pm at the Rocky Mountain Retreat, 848 E 3rd Avenue, Durango, CO. Net donations go toward sustainable living education. Suggested donation is \$111 or \$33/class. Call Katrina Blair at 970-247-8395 or 247-0514 for reservations.

### Informational Brochure Available on the Southern Ute Indian Tribe

La Plata County and the Southern Ute Indian Tribe are pleased to announce the availability of a new informational brochure highlighting the unique aspects of living or working on or near the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The free brochure, entitled Living in La Plata County: The Southern Ute Indian Tribe, is the result of a collaborative effort between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and La Plata County. Brochures are available at the La Plata County Building, Planning and Public Works Departments, as well as at the Courthouse Information Desk. They will also be made available at the Clerk and Recorder’s Motor Vehicle Registration Offices in Durango and Bayfield. For additional information, please call the La Plata County Information Desk at 970-382-6200.

### County’s Emergency System to Include Cell Phones and VoIP

La Plata County’s emergency notification system (commonly referred to as “Reverse 9-1-1”) can now include cell phones and VoIP (Voice over Internet Protocol). La Plata County residents, including Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the cities of Bayfield, Ignacio, and Durango, can now register up to five cell or internet phone numbers for their home address, allowing them to be notified if there’s an emergency near their home – even when they’re not. Registration is free and only takes a few minutes. Links to the registration page may be found by visiting the City of Durango website at [www.durangogov.org](http://www.durangogov.org), Durango Fire and Rescue Authority website at [www.DurangoFireRescue.org](http://www.DurangoFireRescue.org) or La Plata County website at [www.co.lapлата.co.us](http://www.co.lapлата.co.us) and clicking on the Emergency Alert Connect logo.

## Hunter Education Classes

**Buckskin Charlie Conference Room [second floor], Tribal Administration Building in Ignacio**  
**Tuesdays & Thursdays: Aug. 31, Sept. 2, 7, 9 from 6:30 pm - 9:00 pm**

**Saturday, Sept. 11, from 9:00 am - 11:00 am at the Southern Ute Shooting Range.**

Minimum age limit of 10 years of age; Cost for class is \$10.

Pre-registration required: Call Southern Ute Division of Wildlife Management 970-563-0130

Class Requirements: Must attend all five classes, pass written test,

and demonstrate safe handling of firearms. Class is limited to 20 participants.

Class Restrictions: Do not bring firearms or ammunition to class, items will be provided!

Other Classes in the Area [Bayfield, Durango, Pagosa Springs]:

Please call the Colorado Division of Wildlife for times and locations 970-247-0855

or visit their website <http://wildlife.state.co.us/Education/HunterEducationCourses>

Hunter education courses are recommended for anyone who spends time in the outdoors, whether or not they intend to hunt. Basic outdoor skills acquired in a hunter education course can be invaluable during any outdoor activities. For example, survival basics can help you prepare for and deal with emergencies. And wildlife management lessons provide insight into how and why wildlife agencies manage the resource, particularly by using hunting as a management tool.

## PowWow Trails 2010

### Shoshone-Bannock Indian Festival

**August 12-15, 2010**

**Hiline RD • Fort Hall, ID**

**Contact: Delbert Farmer**

**Phone: 208-238-0680**

**Email: [shobanfestival@hotmail.com](mailto:shobanfestival@hotmail.com)**

**Web: [www.sbtribes.com/festival](http://www.sbtribes.com/festival)**

### Gallup Ceremonial Contest PowWow

**August 13-14**

**Red Rock Park, West Arena • Church Rock, NM**

**Contact: Victor Bob**

**Phone: 505-870-7439**

**Email: [southernfancy\\_2000@yahoo.com](mailto:southernfancy_2000@yahoo.com)**

### 92nd Annual Crow Fair

**August 19-23**

**Crow Agency, MT**

**Contact: Mark Denny**

**Phone: 406-623-5132**

**Email: [geobuck@hotmail.com](mailto:geobuck@hotmail.com)**

**Web: [www.crow-fair.com](http://www.crow-fair.com)**

### 134th Rosebud Fair

**August 27-29**

**Rosebud Powwow Grounds BIA Hwy 1 • Rosebud, SD, 57570**

**Contact: Rosebud Sioux Tribe**

**Phone: 605-747-2289**

### Ute Mountain Ute Tribal PowWow

**August 27-29**

**3 Weeminuche Dr • Towaoc, CO 81334**

**Contact: Madonna Whyte**

**Phone: 970-564-5680**

**Email: [powwow@utemountain.org](mailto:powwow@utemountain.org)**

### United Tribes International PowWow

**September 9-12**

**3315 University Drive • Bismarck, ND**

**Contact: Tom Red Bird**

**Phone: 701-255-3285**

## Many Moons Ago

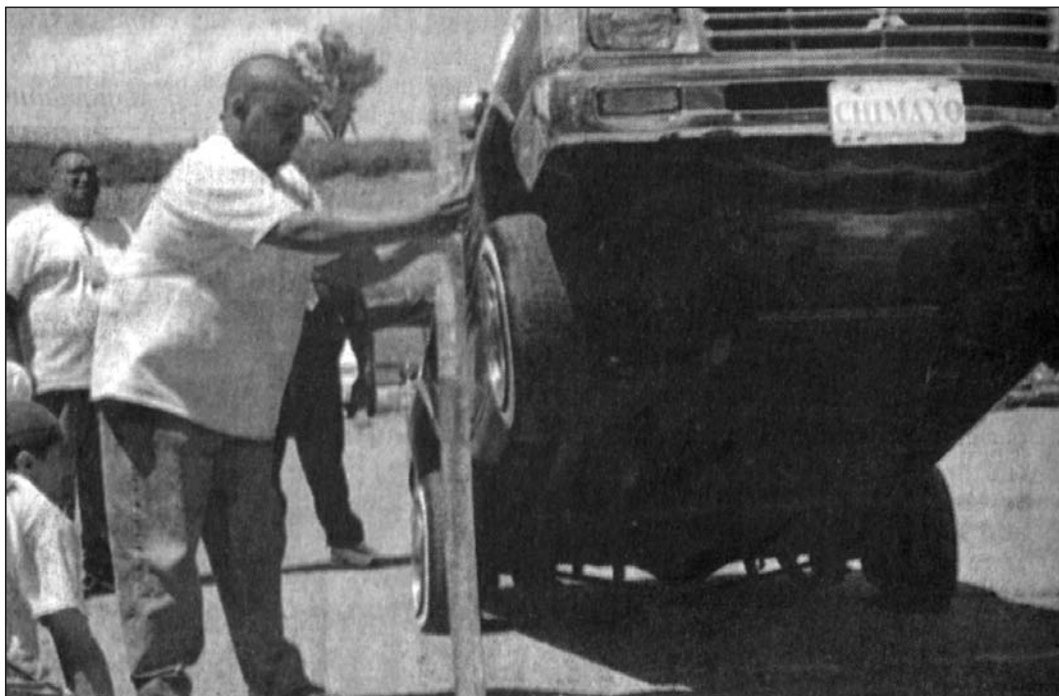


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## 10 Years Ago

*During the Rollin' Deep Car Show, cars, bikes and trikes were on display and a concert featuring NBK was held on the Tribal campus in Ignacio on August 5. Rollin' Deep president Manuel Myore (far left) and Vice-president Fred Cotton (holding measuring stick) judge the car-hopping contest. This truck cleared 36inches to win the competition.*

*This photo first appeared in the August 11, 2000, edition of The Southern Ute Drum.*



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## 20 Years Ago

*Four members of the Committee of Elders enjoyed the Senior Jamboree held at the Sky Ute Convention Center on August 7. Pictured left to right: Nettie UncaSam, Emily Taylor, Sunshine Smith and Floy Valdez. Among others in attendance but not pictured were, Euterpe Taylor and Ellen Mirabel.*

*This photo first appeared in the August 17, 1990, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.*



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## 30 Years Ago

*The 1980 Durango, Colorado Centennial Celebration was conducted on August 13, at the La Plata County Fairgrounds. A few of the Southern Ute participants at the celebration are shown here. The bell shown, at left, was rung by young members of the three ethnic communities, Anglo, Spanish and Indian. Charlie Cloud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Cloud was the Indian representative.*

*This photo first appeared in the August 15, 1990, issue of The Southern Ute Drum.*



## Ute Language

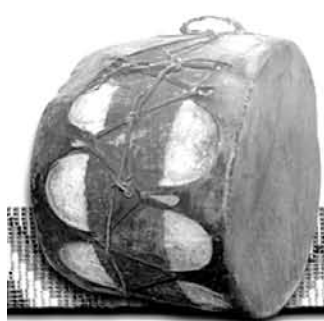
**TunuÇnirÛ - Thunder**

**PanakosarÛ - Lightning**

**UwarÛ - Rain**

*Editor’s note: The Ute Language and “Translation” are transcribed from the 2000 Ute Dictionary, ©1996*





## The Kidney Corner: Medications Which Can Harm

By Dr. Mark Saddler  
Durango Nephrology Associates

In the last edition of the Kidney Corner we discussed non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, NSAIDs, which are anti-inflammatory pain medications which can harm the kidneys in some circumstances. There are many other types of medicines which have the potential to cause problems with the kidneys and we shall discuss more of these in this week's issue.

One potential problem is phosphosoda bowel preps. These are typically used to cleanse the bowel before bowel procedures including colonoscopy. These medicines are usually given orally as a bottle of liquid to be taken before the procedure, though there are tablet forms of phosphate laxatives and enema preparations as well. We used to think that these were safe medicines which didn't cause problems. However it has recently been discovered that some patients who take phosphosoda bowe preps may develop acute kidney failure after taking the phosphate bowel prep, and this kidney failure can be permanent. Patients particularly at risk include those with hypertension and with previous chronic kidney disease. The problem results from deposits of the phosphate in the



kidney tissue. Fortunately, there are alternative bowel preps which work well and are safe from the kidney point of view.

Contrast agents are another group of medicines which frequently cause acute kidney injury. Contrast is used for some sorts of Xray and CT scan studies to improve images. They are very useful and can improve diagnostic accuracy. In occasional cases, however, they can result in a decrease in kidney function. This only tends to happen in patients who have underlying kidney disease or diabetes and protective measures can be taken to help prevent problems: a bad-tasting oral medicine called n-acetyl cysteine or Mucomyst and intravenous fluids. As kidney doctors, we are always happy

when we get called to help provide protection to prevent kidney damage from this source. Fortunately, kidney function usually subsequently improves following injury from contrast.

Many other types of medicines can cause kidney problems. Remember, though, that this does not mean that they are "bad" medicines. In all medical decisions, we are faced with deciding the risks versus the benefits of treatment. It's simply impossible frequently to know how a patient will respond to any medicine for sure. Even some medicines which are given specifically to help the kidney function can occasionally actually worsen the kidney function in some susceptible people. One possible medication-related problem is a kind of allergy called "acute interstitial nephritis" (AIN) which can cause kidney failure. This can happen with almost any medicine, though some cause AIN more frequently than others. Antibiotics are frequent offenders, and some over-the-counter antacid medications can occasionally cause this problem. The diagnosis can be difficult sometimes and may require a kidney biopsy. Fortunately, this problem is also often reversible, but needs to be recognized as early as possible for a successful outcome.

### First Aid Summer Schedule

#### August Courses

- Standard First Aid and CPR/AED Adult Child Infant: \$65, Sat., Aug. 14, 8am-5pm
- CPR/AED Adult Child Infant: \$50, Tue., Aug. 17, 6pm-10pm
- CPR/AED Adult Child Infant: \$50, Wed., Aug. 25, 9am- 1pm

#### September Courses

- Standard First Aid and CPR/AED Adult Child Infant: \$65, Sat., Sept. 11, 8am-5pm
- Standard First Aid: \$45, Wed., Sept. 15, 9am-1pm
- CPR/AED Adult Infant Child: \$50, Wed., Sept. 22, 6pm-10pm
- CPR/AED Adult Infant Child: \$50, Tue., Sept 28, 6pm-10pm

To sign up please call 970-259-5383 or register online at  
[www.coloradoredcross.org](http://www.coloradoredcross.org)  
or email: [nicole@swcoloradoredcross.org](mailto:nicole@swcoloradoredcross.org)

### First Days of School

**Ignacio School District**  
Tuesday, September 7

**So. Ute Indian Academy**  
Monday, August 30

**Durango School District**  
Monday, August 23

**Bayfield School District**  
Tuesday, August 24

## Veterans Give Thanks



*The Southern Ute Veterans Association made a presentation in honor of Keifer GoodTracks-Alires for his service to the tribe in upholding flag detail with honor and commitment. Present were immediate family members, Southern Ute Montessori Academy head staff, and Veterans: Rod Grove, Larry Tucker, and Howard Richards Sr.*

*Richards, who presented young Keifer with the jacket, designed by Rod Grove and embroidered with the Circle of Life, told Keifer to "Go forward and be yourself." Keifer transitioned from the Academy this spring and will attend public school in Bayfield beginning in the fall. The small ceremony was held at Veterans Memorial Park on Wednesday, August 11.*

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*Instructed by Penny Barbarinas*

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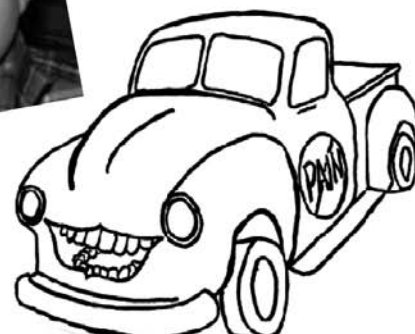
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# Twelve Cadets Take Part In Youth Police Academy

By Don Folsom  
SUPD Sr. Community Resource Officer

The clues were there hidden in the crime scene. Clothes covered the floor. The handle of a pry bar stuck out from underneath the bed. There were fingerprints on the window and tire tracks out near the street. Reading them and putting together

er all the evidence of a simulated burglary crime scene was left in the capable hands of the Youth Police Academy. On July 28th, the training room the Southern Ute Police Department was full of training officers and the twelve cadets that took part in the Youth Police Academy. This three day academy was open to partici-

pants from twelve to eighteen years of age students took part in exploring the world of law enforcement. The Academy started off with an introduction into each of the departments and quickly launched into the role of Communications as Communications Technicians Amber and Gallegos familiarized them with the emergency 911 system and gave them simulated calls to handle. Cadet Bryce Johnson had to handle a screaming woman that was barely coherent and he learned how hard it was to reply in a calm, professional voice.

Lt. Boyce gave the students a glimpse into the needs of the victims that law enforcement works with and how Victims Services specializes in starting the healing process. The Community Resource Department taught the cadets about the different hazards that drugs and alcohol create for law enforcement. Officer Hibbert demonstrated field sobriety tests and cadets learned how hard it was to focus on the tests when sober. The cadets were able to wear the DUI "Fatal Vision" goggles and Cadet Roman Velasquez did his best to walk while navigating a simple obstacle course without knocking over cones. They were able to watch a simulated traffic stop with Officers Hibbert and Schnelting that allowed them to see how radar works.

The Rangers gave a presentation on the law enforcement needs across the reservation and



photos courtesy Don Folsom/SUPD Community Resource

Abrianna Silva (above) practices her fingerprinting technique on Tanisha Collins. Derrick Naranjo (left photo, right) and Abrianna Silva (left) prepare plaster casts of the suspect's tire tracks.

into the Brunot hunting lands. They were able to show their specialized equipment for hunting poachers and catching animals for Animal Control. Ranger Jones brought in part of his animal collection and showed the Cadets some of the needs of the environment that the Rangers are sworn to protect. Cadets Andrew and Sarah Wilcox tried to make sure that some of the animals did not end up in their laps, especially the tarantula.

Criminal Investigator Naranjo was able to show the cadets how to protect a crime scene so that

evidence can be obtained and studied. Cadets were able to meet FBI Special Agent Walsh and ask him questions about the FBI. Cadets were able to learn fingerprinting techniques and how they are analyzed by fingerprinting each other and sorting their own fingerprints. Cadet Abrianna Silva was able to stabilize and plaster cast tire tracks left behind in the dust. Cadet Derrick Naranjo photographed the mock burglary crime scene and Cadet Tanisha Collins collected left behind burglary tools for analysis. Tribal Prosecutor Lammons

and Bailiff Frost led the cadets in a mock trial that tested the cadets ability to recognize the evidence and put it together in a case. Cadet Jack Frost III teamed up with his brother, Hunter Frost as detective and prosecutor presenting the evidence. The cadets roleplayed a burglary trial with cadets taking the parts of prosecution, defense, witnesses, plaintiff, officers, and evidence technicians. When it was all said done, the cadets had received a compact view of law enforcement on the Southern Ute Reservation.



# Archery Challenge



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Clockwise from above left: Young archers go for distance: Maya Espinosa, James Mars, and Adam House. After the completion, the archers line up for a picture in front of the practice range. Front Row: James Mars, Adam House, Elissa Mars, Dylan Doskoell, Badger Yellowbird, Dru Martinez, Maya Espinosa, Andrew Morgan, Second Row: Hunter Frost, Krista Richards, Ashlee Albrecht, Lainey Espinosa, Third Row: Alex Lopez, Jack Frost III, John House, Kruz Pardo, Back Row: Don Folsom, Jack Frost Jr. Jack Frost III lines up for his shot on a velociraptor target. Community Resource Officer Don Folsom gives the safety talk before the archers take to the range.



photo courtesy Don Folsom/SUPD Community Resource



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## ARCHERY RESULTS

### SR. YOUTH

Men's  
John House  
Women's  
Ashlee Albrecht, Krista Richards

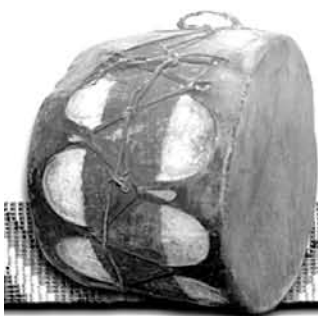
### YOUTH

Men's  
Jack Frost III, Hunter Frost  
Alex Lopez  
Women's  
Lainey Espinosa  
Cubs  
Dylan Doskoell, Adam House  
Kruz Pardo, Andrew Morgan  
Badger Yellowbird, Dru Martinez  
Pee-Wees  
James Mars, Maya Espinosa  
Elissa Mars

### LONG DISTANCE SHOOT

Older  
Cruz Pardo, Krista Richards  
Lainey Espinosa  
Younger  
Dru Martinez, Andrew Morgan  
Badger Yellowbird





# IHS Gridders’ Schedule Released

By Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

When an athlete’s serious about his craft, it can seem as though his season never ends. And though many Ignacio football players completed the 2009-10 school year participating in other sports, as soon as summer vacation began it was already largely over. Signal-calling prospects had the option of attending a quarterback—essential, considering Lupe Huerta’s Bobcats graduated both ’09 starter Shane Brooks and back-up Tony Hutchinson—camp at 5A Arapahoe (Centennial) from May 28-30. A weekly 7-on-7 ‘league’ available at Durango’s Fort Lewis College began June 8, with a five-day contact camp at CSU-Pueblo starting four days later. And then, of course, there was the in-house cure for the summertime blahs—an open weight room Monday through Thursday every week. Inexpensive, effective, and vital for success in 2010, which will start with a Zero Week (Aug. 28, 7 p.m.) game at 2A Pagosa Springs. Sean O’Donnell’s gritty Pirates went 7-4 overall in ’09, with the losses coming by a grand total of eleven points—including a 46-41 first-round home loss to Aspen in the 2A State Tournament—but

will need to replace QB Taylor Shaffer (a basketball signee for Otero JC in La Junta). IHS’ home opener follows in Week 1, September 3 (7 p.m.) against Montezuma-Cortez. M-CHS’ program took plenty of lumps last season, finishing 1-9 and surrendering 40 points or more six times. A change of scenery could help Chuck Cotten’s Panthers, though the revamped 2A Mountain—which brings in M-CHS and Alamosa to join PSHS, Bayfield, Buena Vista, Centauri, and Salida—won’t be much of a step down from the 3A Western Slope. The Panthers went 3-12 against the Slope the last two seasons. Speaking of Bayfield, Marshall Hahn’s Wolverines await the Bobcats’ coming to Wolverine Country Stadium in Week 2 (9/10, 7 p.m.), and there may not be a more emphatically-circled contest on Ignacio’s slate than the Pine River Rivalry showdown. BHS put a 40-nil beating on the Bobcats at IHS Field last year en route to a 6-0 start, but then dropped four of their last five—including a first-round loss at Faith Christian (Arvada), who then knocked out Aspen en route to the 2A state championship. Week 3 has Ignacio making the long trip to Shiprock, N.M., for a Sept. 17, 7 p.m. clash with the

Chieftains. Still rebuilding the program after the disastrous 2007 campaign (which included a loss to IHS), SHS continued making strides under boss Richard Ballard in 2009 with a 6-2 mark. Classified as a 4A independent—no longer part of hellacious District 1-4A—Shiprock played mostly 1-3A opponents and did well, averaging 39.5 points in those games. A bye brings Ignacio relief in Week 4, with their 1A Southern Peaks Conference opener at home against Sargent coming in Week 5 (10/1, 7 p.m.). New SPC member Monte Vista—down from the 2A Mountain—hosts the Bobcats in Week 6 (10/8), but IHS then returns home to battle Dolores (10/15) and Center (10/22) before completing the regular season at Del Norte in Week 9 (10/29). Ignacio went 4-0 against the SPC in 2009, and finished 7-3 overall for the second year running after a first-round home loss to Meeker in the 1A State Tournament (Calhan eliminated IHS in 2008). Official practices begin August 16 (with full contact starting the 19th), by which time all players need completed paperwork including: physicals, Ignacio Sport Contract, drug consent form, and parent permission form. A Participation Card must then be obtained from Athletic Director Melanie Taylor.



photos Joel Priest/Special to the Drum

It’s as bad as it looks for Pat Murphy, as Terry Yazzie tightens his grip on an imminent victory at Caged Fury I, July 31 at the Sky Ute Casino Resort Events Center. Yazzie scored a submission-style win, 3:57 into Round 1. The fight card was the first for up-and-coming Aztec, N.M., company Caged Fury MMA, LLC.

## MMA Meets Mass Approval

By Joel Priest  
Special to the Drum

In his last two high school state tournament appearances, Dominic Blanco learned that having his back on the mat wasn’t the best way to wrestle. And his opponents were more than happy to capitalize. But the Scottsbluff, Neb., Bearcat grappler learned. And aged, developed, and progressed into the mixed-martial arts fighter Sky Ute Casino Resort Events Center fans saw claim victory in the co-main event at “Caged Fury I.” Which he achieved... from on his back, in two minutes, 44 seconds.

“Yeah I had a game plan to stand in and bang,” said Blanco, 29, after a triangle-choke win over Eric Baca at 135 pounds. “Most of my fights—my wins—have been the ground-and-pound. I grew up wrestling. So I wanted to stick up top and...yeah, got caught in a couple slams but just had to stick to it.”

But with Baca, of Belen, N.M., attempting to break through from above after one takedown, a strike attempt missed and Blanco saw his opening.

“I was strong—had ‘gorilla strength!’” he said. “And he set that arm up and I just slipped it over my head and squeezed the s— - out of it!” Locking his own arms behind Baca’s head, figure-four style, Blanco applied some downward pulling pressure, and the submission maneuver was complete.

“He was a strong kid! I came in here—had a long drive ahead of me from Scottsbluff, about a 10-hour drive—and he gave me some hurt. But I like that.” The preceding bout saw the ‘Puerto Rican Assassin’ Billy Colon stop Josh ‘Big Country’ Lanier via key lock with 2:06 elapsed in the first round of their 205-pound (though both weighed in between 197 and 198.5) co-main clash.

“A key lock is pretty much... the actual tough part what I did was an ‘Americana lock,’” Colon, fighting out of Las Cruces, N.M., explained. “It’s just having the arm up by the head, and tweaking it with the fingers almost to the back.” Colon’s execution left Lanier

slow to get up, favoring his right shoulder—the move can also be directed towards the elbow—after referee Curtis Thrasher signaled the stoppage after Lanier submitted. “He’s really tall and that’s hard to train for. But as far as game plan goes, I went in there expecting him to most likely use his reach—he’s got a black belt in jiu-jitsu, I was expecting him to try to take me down—so my game plan was to stay on my feet,” said Colon. “I know I have good boxing [technique], good stand-up, so that’s where I tried to keep it at...



Nebraskan Dominic Blanco, bottom, closes out opponent Eric Baca with a triangle choke, forcing Baca to tap 2:44 into Round 1 of the co-main event at Caged Fury I, July 31 at Sky Ute Casino Resort Events Center.

and I did for the most part.” “I thought we had some great fights, great fighters,” said Caged Fury MMA president Russ Bradford, “and it just turned out great. We were able to bring in some fighters from out-of-state, and for some other fighters it was their first time ever inside a cage!”

At 135 pounds, Dusty Dasugo had to be pulled off opponent Correy Alcon by referee Jesse Williamson against the cage’s fencing, before his hammer-fist strikes threatened to nail the defenseless ‘Punisher’ to the mat for a long time. Only 30 seconds of Round 1 had expired.

One wicked swing was all it took for Nathan Morgan to TKO Nico Sullivan in the following engagement. Landed practically between Sullivan’s eyes, Morgan’s shot drew blood and lots of it, and Williamson halted the 150-pounders’ rage just 0:21 into the first verse.

D u r a n g o Martial Arts’ Steve Hanna closed the amateur slate with an armbar-submission win over J o h n a t h a n Norvalis of Las Cruces’ Team Bonecrusher (same camp as C o l o n ). Fighting just under the 170-pound limit, Hanna needed just 1:44 to take the win. And show the

fans that there would be plenty of skill and not only raw force on the menu for them to enjoy. “One leg on his neck, one leg in his armpit. You lock it up, and it chokes,” Hanna detailed his move, executed from on his back. “And at the same time I pinned his arm so I had arm lock.” “We’ve been talking about this for a couple years now,” said Bradford about the fight card’s unveiling, “and then we got really serious about it about the first of this year. There’s lots of good fighters in this Four Corners area, but not a whole lot of opportuni-

### Caged Fury MMA2 - Biker Brawl

Caged Fury MMA 2 will be held at the Sky Ute Casino Resort’s Event Center on September 3. Doors open at 6:00 p.m., event starts at 7:00 p.m. All ages are welcome.

Tickets available at the Casino Gift Shop. For information contact James Price at 970-553-0208 or the Sky Ute Casino Resort at 970-563-0100.

## Tri-Ute Games 2010 Standings

### BASKETBALL

11-13 Girls	Wins-Loses
Southern Ute	3-1
Ute Mtn Ute	3-1
Ute Indian Tribe	0-4
13-15 Girls	
Southern Ute	4-0
Ute Indian Tribe	2-2
Ute Mtn Ute	0-4
15-18 Girls	
Ute Indian Tribe 1	3-0
Southern Ute	2-1
Ute Mtn Ute	1-2
Ute Indian Tribe 2	0-3
11-13 Boys	
Ute Indian Tribe 2	2-1
Ute Mtn Ute	2-1
Southern Ute	1-2
Ute Indian Tribe 1	1-2
13-15 Boys	
Southern Ute	3-1
Ute Mtn Ute	3-1
Ute Indian Tribe	0-4
15-18 Boys	
Ute Mtn Ute (White Mesa)	3-0
Southern Ute	2-1
Ute Mtn Ute (Towaoc)	1-2
Ute Indian Tribe	0-3

### VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball 15-18	Wins-Loses
No Teams	
Volleyball 13-15	
Ute Indian Tribe 2	5-1
Ute Indian Tribe 1	1-4
Volleyball 11-13	
Southern Ute 1	5-0
Southern Ute 2	4-2
Ute Mountain Ute	3-5
Ute Indian Tribe 5	1-1
Ute Mountain Ute 3	1-1
Ute Indian Tribe 3	0-6

### TEEPEE CONTEST

**First Place: Lil Teepee’s: 8 mins.**  
Eagle Manning-Coach, Rico Lopez, Lathan Dutchie, Rayni Badback, Kriseta Tapoof  
**Second Place: White Mesa: 15 mins.**  
Malcolm White-Coach, Harold Dale, James, Duran Lang, Diqan Lopez  
**Third Place: Teepee Creepers: 50 mins.**  
Cedric Lang-Coach, Patrick Jacket, Blaine House, Josh Whytehead, Braxton Whiteman

### HAND GAME

Champions: White Mesa

### ARCHERY

Ute Mountain Ute	Day 1	Day 2	Total
Duncan Whyte	122	141	263
Karsh Cotonuts	116	122	238
Jeremy Box	120	89	209
Effie Wall	98	103	201
Tehya Ketchcem	88	106	194
Ayesha Clark	94	91	185
Zaquin Wells	88	87	175
Benton Watts	83	72	155
Aleel Wells	69	85	154
Overall Team Totals			1,774
Individual Totals			878
7/24/10			896

Northern Ute	Day 1	Day 2	Total
Joaquin Desjarlais	116	140	256
Brinden Wopsock	118	115	233
Casey Lane McCook	106	123	229
Trey Hutchins	107	119	226
Anthony Reed	96	104	200
Todd Mair Jr.	83	83	166
Andrew Carter	60	86	146
Reannon John	43	63	106
Overall Team Totals			1,562
Individual Totals			777
7/24/10			833

Southern Ute	Day 1	Day 2	Total
Klayson Smith	149	154	293
Isaac Pena	137	291	291
Jack Frost III	92	100	192
Hunter Frost	85	103	188
David Boyd	98	89	187
Krista Richards	68	75	143
Overall Team Totals			1294
Individual Totals			665
7/24/10			629

### CROSS-COUNTRY

Boys 11-13	Time
Johnny Valdez	27.54
Girls 11-13	
Ione Chimburas	35.17
Boys 13-15	
Brackin Whiteskunk	26.34
Girls 13-15	
Brianna Goodtracks-Alires	57.21
Meridian Pinnecoose	57.22
Boys 15-18	
Antonio Thompson	29.31

### TRIATHALON

2 mi. run, 5 mi. bike, 355 yd. swim	Time
First Place: Brackin Whiteskunk	53:59
Second Place: Juliann Lang	1:05:54
Third Place: Michael Mills	1:08:23



Referee Curtis Thrasher raises the hand of Nebraskan Dominic Blanco, after Blanco defeated Eric Baca via triangle choke in the co-main event that closed the evening of Caged Fury I, July 31 at Sky Ute Casino Resort Events Center.





## Jaques Elected to Hall of Fame



*Danny Jaques, Ignacio Junior School Teacher, was informed that he was elected to the Space Camp Hall of Fame. Jaques, who has been teaching for 26 years, will be inducted on August 20, 2010 at the U. S. Space and Rocket Center in Huntsville, Alabama. Jaques was nominated for his work in coordinating, recruiting, fundraising for, and taking students to Space Camp for the past 18 years. Jaques, is one of only a hand full of teachers nationwide, who consistently take students to Space Camp year after year. Jaques said, "It is a honor to be nominated and a great privilege to be elected".*

photo courtesy Danny Jaques

## Parade Returns to Durango • from page 1

Building Homes for Heroes will benefit from proceeds generated during the morning activities. The organization is dedicated to recreating home life for US soldiers who have been severely and permanently injured in the course of serving the country and protecting U.S. citizens.

"This is a great opportunity to support our veterans," said John Wells, BID presiding officer. "We encourage everyone to come on down for the burrito breakfast at the Transit Center and take a moment to appreciate all those who have been injured in defense of our country — especially our keynote presenter, Army Specialist BJ Jackson. He's a true inspiration."

Army Specialist BJ Jackson will highlight the pre-parade festivities at 10:30 a.m. from the staging area at the Transit Center. Jackson was wounded in Baghdad in August 2003 when his vehicle struck a land mine and then was hit by a rocket-propelled grenade. Jackson lost both legs and suffered extensive burns. He

spent nearly 50 days in the post burn unit, but by early December he was skiing on his new legs.

The burrito breakfast benefiting Building Homes for Heroes is set to run 8 to 10:30 a.m. at the Durango Transit Center. Cost is \$10 per person. The classic cars will be on display in the First National Bank parking lot immediately adjacent across 8th St.

The Classic Car Parade will depart the First National Bank parking lot at 11 a.m., proceeding through the Transit Center, turning left on 7th and left on Main Avenue for the procession up Main to 12th St.

The Motorcycle Parade will follow at 11:30 a.m., escorted by the Durango Motor Cycle Police and departing from the Transit Center. The bikes will follow the classic car route up Main Ave. from 7th St. to 12th St.

Classic car owners and bikers planning to participate in the parades are asked to enter the event staging area from Camino del Rio at 8th Street. Classic cars will be

directed to the First National Bank of Durango parking lot, and those with motorcycles are to assemble in the Transit Center lot.

In addition to the City of Durango, BID and DATO, event sponsors and supporters include Durango Harley Davidson, Durango Party Rental, Mercury Payment Systems, Chimera Communications, VFW Post 4031 and its Ladies and Men's auxiliaries, Blue Star Mothers of Durango, Durango Over-the-Hill-Gang car club, Durango Motor Expo, Four Corners Biker Rally Association, Ignacio Bike Week, Durango Mountain Resort, District 6 ABATE, First National Bank of Durango, VFW Warriors, Iron Horse Chapter Harley Owners Group and La Plata County Civil Air Patrol.

To learn more about the Motorcycle and Classic Car Parade, visit, [www.durangogov.org](http://www.durangogov.org) or [www.downtowndurango.org](http://www.downtowndurango.org). For information on Building Homes for Heroes, visit [www.buildinghomesforheroes.org](http://www.buildinghomesforheroes.org).

## Express Your Opinions

### Thank You Sky Ute Casino Resort

Thank You to the Management and Staff at the Sky Ute Resort and Casino

I and two of my childhood friends were recent guests at the Sky Ute Resort and Casino. We traveled to Ignacio to attend the Memorial Service for Freddie Martinez and to partake of the San Ignacio Day celebration. From the time of our arrival on Thursday evening to our departure on Sunday we marveled at the service we received. These are some of the comments made on Sunday as we said a long good by over copious cups of coffee and a delicious brunch in the main dining room. Our server was Eric, with his winning smile and great patience he tended to our every need. The following are some of our observations:

- We greatly appreciated the discounted fee for our rooms; this was offered to those who were attending Freddie's Memorial. Great collaboration with the resort and the community.
- The staff at the registration desk were courteous and welcoming to we weary travelers
- Our rooms were nicely appointed with extremely comfortable beds

• The housekeeping staff were friendly and inquired about any additional needs we may have

• Eli S. and his pretty female assistant were efficient and clear as they explained the protocol when I won a jackpot YIPEE!!

• The food was great especially the tamales on Sunday morning

• The wait staff at the bar put up with a group of us who were telling "war stories" for hours on end, little drinking and a lot "hot air."

Our only complaint is that you weren't there when we were. I write this on behalf of my soul sisters. Rita Johnson aka Rafalita Garcia; Georgianne Carls aka Georgianne Rivas

Once again, Thank you! Mil Gracias!

Mary Ann Carter  
aka Mary Ann Rodriguez

### San Ignacio Thank You

San Ignacio Fiesta would like to thank everyone who attended, participated, contributed, and helped with this year's Fiesta and we hope you enjoyed yourself.

Congratulations to Grand Marshals: George and Laura Witt and "Augustine Velasquez Memorial" Family float. Kudos

to our merchants who graciously donated to the parade making cash prizes possible, they were:

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Thank you and we hope to see everyone again next year.

San Ignacio Fiesta Committee

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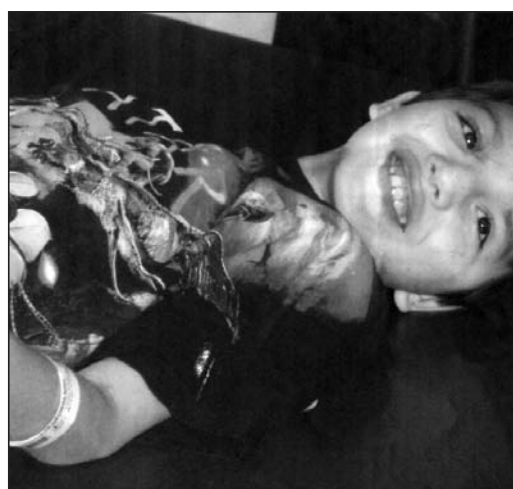
## Expressions of Gratitude

I would like to thank our Creator for letting me see my babies and being able to tell them "I love you" everyday. My name is Kimberly S. Armstrong on behalf of my babies, Alicia H. Armstrong, Noah B. Hotchkiss and Amada Hotchkiss, and on behalf of my family, we would like to express our gratitude for all your prayers and loving kind thoughts you have given and continue to give us in our time of need.

Thank you mom, Alicia Morningstar Groves Neash and family for standing beside me. I would like to include all my relations through the four directions, you know who you are, thank you.

In return may all the good blessings shine in your homes and to all your loved ones, sorry if I left anyone out. Our prayers and faith continue to be strong.

Sincerely  
Kimberly S. Armstrong



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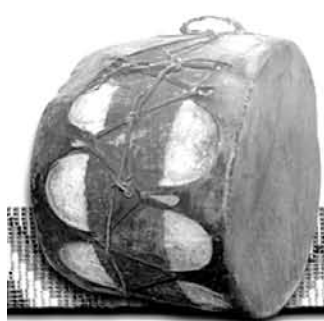
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## NEW EMPLOYEES



**Michelle D. Chavez**  
Job Title: Elders Driver  
Tribe: Southern Ute

**Jessica Candelaria**  
Job Title: SunUte Front Desk  
Description of duties: Answer phones, clerical duties.  
Hobbies: Spending time with family and friends, going to the lake, music and movies.



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## Request for Bids

### SEEKING BIDS FOR CATERER FOR DINNER, LUNCH, AND BRUNCH

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Sunday: Brunch and Lunch

Food Handlers Certificate must accompany BID. Deadline to submit bid: August 20, 2010  
**Please submit bid to:**  
**Southern Ute PowWow Committee**  
**Attn: Dona Frost, Treasurer**  
**P.O. Box 737**  
**Ignacio, Colorado, 81137**

## Notice: 30 Day Posting

### Availability of Tribal Land Homesite Assignment

Notice is hereby given to all eligible Southern Ute Indian tribal members interested in this Tribal Land Homesite Assignment. Applications must be submitted to the Department of Natural Resources Lands Division.  
Please contact the Southern Ute Lands Division to view property and for additional information at 970-563-0126 ext. 2231.



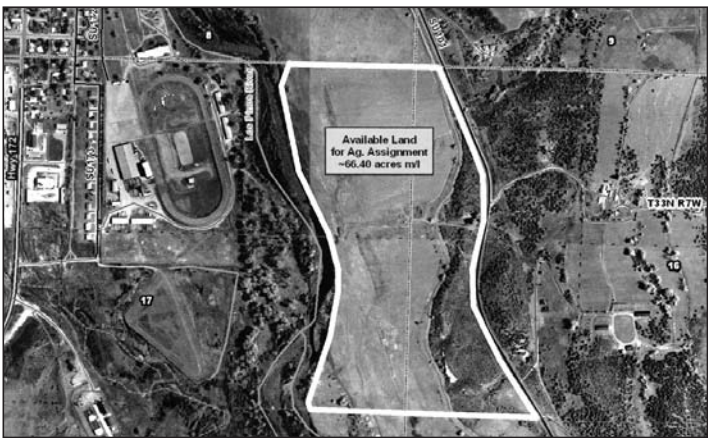
The Available Tribal Land is described as follows:  
**Township 33 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M.,**  
**La Plata County, CO**  
**Section 18: Lot 11A**

Property located in the Cedar Point West Subdivision

## Notice: 30 Day Posting

### Availability of Tribal Land Agriculture Assignment

Notice is hereby given to all eligible Southern Ute Indian tribal members interested in this Tribal Land Agriculture Assignment. Applications and 5 year farm plans must be submitted to the Department of Natural Resources Lands Division.  
Please contact the Southern Ute Lands Division to view property and for additional information at 970-563-0126 ext. 2231.



The Available Tribal Land is described as follows:  
**Township 33 North, Range 7 West, N.M.P.M.,**  
**La Plata County, CO**  
**Section 16: W1/2NW1/4; Section 17: E1/2NE1/4**  
(all that lying east of the Pine River and West of CR 321, consisting of 66.40 acres more or less)

## Notice

### NOTICE OF FINAL CHANGES TO RESERVATION AIR CODE AND TITLE V OPERATING PERMIT PROGRAM

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe/ State of Colorado Environmental Commission hereby gives notice of the adoption of certain changes to the Reservation Air Code for the Southern Ute Indian Reservation. The changes adopted were those required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as a condition to EPA's approval of the Application for Approval of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's 40 CFR Part 70 Operating Permit Program, as well as changes recommended by EPA.

#### I. Adoption of changes to Reservation Air Code.

At its meeting on June 14, 2010 the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission adopted certain changes to the Reservation Air Code for the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

#### II. Legal authority under which changes to Code were adopted.

Legal authority is vested in the Southern Ute Indian Tribe/State of Colorado Environmental Commission by the Intergovernmental Agreement

Between the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and the State of Colorado Concerning Air Quality Control on the Southern Ute Indian Reservation dated December 13, 1999, and by tribal law (Resolution of the Council of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe # 00-09), State law (C.R.S. 24-62-101), and federal law (Act of October 18, 2004, Pub. L. No. 108-336, 118 Stat.1354) to adopt rules and regulations for air quality programs applicable to all lands within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Reservation.

#### III. Effective date of the Code, including changes to Code.

The Code will be effective upon the effective date of the approval by the United States Environmental Protection Agency of an application by the Southern Ute Indian Tribe for a delegation of authority to administer the Commission-approved Title V Operating Permit Program. Notice of EPA's approval of the Tribe's application and notice of the effective date of EPA's approval and, hence, the effective date of the Code, will be provided at a later date.

#### IV. Summary description of changes to the Code.

The changes made by the Commission at its June 14th meeting included modification of provisions to more closely conform to the requirements of federal law and the addition of several defined terms.

#### V. Where a complete copy of the Code can be obtained.

A copy of the Code with changes shown in redlining, along with a summary of comments received on the changes to the Code, and the Environmental Commission's responses to the comments, are available upon request from the Tribe's Air Quality Program Manager who can be contacted by e-mail, mail, fax, or in person at the addresses noted below.

For further information contact: Brenda Jarrell, Program Manager, Air Quality Program, Southern Ute Indian Tribe, P.O. Box 737 MS#84, Ignacio, Colorado, 81137; telephone number (970) 563-4705 (ext. 2246); fax number (970) 563-0384; e-mail bjarrell@southern-ute.nsn.us

## Advertisement for Bids

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BID FOR A USED 1998 FORD COLLINS BUS

Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc., Ignacio, Colorado ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Used 1998 Ford Collins Bus. Condition: Poor. Mileage: 66564 Separate sealed bids for purchase of 28-passenger bus will be received by SUCAP Central Administration until 4:00 (Local Time) p.m. on Tuesday, August 31, 2010. Bus will not be sold in parts and will be the sole responsibility of the successful bidder for removal. Bids must be delivered to 285 Lakin Street/P.O. Box 800 Ignacio, CO 81137 Attn: M. McKinzie prior to deadline. It is the sole responsibility of the bidder to see that the bid is received before the submission deadline. The bidder shall bear all risks associated with delays in the U.S. mail or delivery service. Late bids will not be considered. Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. and its subsidiaries reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informalities and minor irregularities in bids, and to accept the bid deemed, in the opinion of the Organization, to be in the best interest of Southern Ute Community Action Programs, Inc. or its Head Start and any and all of its subsidiaries. This property is being bid in accordance with SUCAP Financial Policies and Procedures.

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Southern Ute Growth Fund - Job Announcements

Obtain complete job descriptions and applications from the Growth Fund Human Resources, 14933 Hwy. 172 • P.O. Box 367 • Ignacio, CO • 970-563-5064 • rtaylor@sugf.com

**Tribal Member Employment Preference, Must Pass Pre-employment Drug Test & Criminal History.**

**PeopleSoft Applications Development Manager**  
Closing Date 8/13/10 - SU Shared Service  
Responsible for leading the internal application development of PeopleSoft Human Capital Management (HCM), Finance and Supply Chain Management (FSCM), Kronos and all other enterprise applications where necessary. Coordinate users groups, managing identified projects, upgrades or development as necessary to provide the highest level of customer support. Supervises technical development staff.

**PeopleSoft Project Manager**  
Closing Date 8/13/10 - SU Shared Service  
Responsible for leading the internal Shared Services Finance and Supply Chain Management (FSCM) and Human Capital Management (HCM) projects, and creating and executing project work plans.

**Senior Real Estate Analyst**  
Closing Date 8/16/10 - SUGF Properties  
Denver, CO. Position provides operational and accounting support with specific emphasis on Belmar, duties include assisting the Asset Manager and accounting group with analysis of operating activities, providing financial analysis, assisting with accounting close process and annual audit, assisting in the budgeting process, and maintenance of key performance indicators.

**Mechanic III**  
Closing Date 8/17/10 - Frontier Field Services  
Maljamar, NM. Responsibilities of this position include maintaining equipment at the gas processing plant and field compressor stations safely and efficiently, and assisting in performing overhauls of compressors and engines and reconditioning equipment as needed.

**Division Order Technician II**  
Closing Date 8/18/10 - Red Willow Production  
Position assists in maintaining orderly and accurate

land records focusing on Divisions of Interest and Title Opinions. Responsibilities include the distribution, execution, and tracking of all operated and non-operated Divisions of Interest, the preparation and processing of all mass change transfers to current divisions of interest in the Eneritia database, assists Division Order Analysts with title search and simple curative issues, the setup of contracts in the Eneritia database and the scanning and linking of said documents to the correct primary venture, well/zone or business associate per guidelines.

**Senior Division Order Analyst**  
Closing Date 8/19/10 - Red Willow Production  
Position obtains and maintains orderly and accurate land records for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated, including Divisions of Interest, and Title Opinions, advises Accounting Manager and others of changes and assists them in use of DOI data, works with Red Willow landmen and partners to obtain and maintain DOI records, assists with other land issues as needed.

**Landman II**  
Closing Date 8/20/10 - Red Willow Production  
Houston, TX. Position develops, obtains, and maintains orderly and accurate land records for all Red Willow interest properties, both operated and non-operated, including partnership documents, leases, joint operating agreements, divisions of interest, and title opinions. Works with others in the correct use of land data, responds to communications from interest owners, prepares reports as needed.

**Vice President Investment/Finance**  
Closing Date 8/20/10 - SU Alternative Energy LLC  
Position is responsible for applying financial and investment experience to Alternative Energy's business through conducting investment research, evaluating investment opportunities, conducting due diligence and actively monitoring existing investments.

Ignacio School District

Application/Information: (970) 563-0500 ext. 221  
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**Senior Center Program Director**  
Closing Date 8/16/10 - SUCAP  
Responsible for management and supervision of program activities and staff. BS/BA in Human Services or related field required. Must have one

year direct supervisory experience, two years in human services field. Must pass the criminal history background check. Must have CO DL, proof of vehicle insurance, and provide a copy of DMV driving record.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe - Job Announcements

Please refer to the complete Job Announcement and Requirements in the Human Resources Dept. P.O. Box 737 • Ignacio, CO 81137 • Phone: 970-563-0100 • Fax: 970-563-0396 • Hotline: 970-563-4777  
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**Family Practice Physician**  
Open Until Filled - Contract position responsible for providing comprehensive medical services with special emphasis in family practice to the patients at the Southern Ute Health Center.

**Advanced Practice Nurse**  
Open Until Filled - Provides direct and comprehensive primary, preventive and therapeutic medical care to individuals across their lifespan. Clinical supervision will be provided by the Clinical Director. Will have access to the family practice physicians and clinical director for consultation and referrals.

**Internal Auditor**  
Open Until Filled - Performs internal auditing procedures for the Southern Ute Indian Tribe to identify and eliminate risk, liability, unnecessary spending, and inefficient operations. Develops and implements internal audit processes and procedures and recommends improvements to business processes that will promote overall efficiency, productivity and profitability.

**Range Technician**  
Closes 8/13/10 - Under the general supervision of the Range Conservationist, represents the Range Division in a positive professional manner while implementing and coordinating range management activities.

**Deputy Court Clerk (Full Time)**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Provides professional clerical and program support to the Court system in a professional manner.

**Academic Advisor**  
Closes 8/13/10 - Professional education position under general supervision of the Education Department Director, providing academic advisement to scholarship applicants and recipients.

**Contracts & Grants Manager**  
Closes 8/13/10 - Ensures compliance with the terms of Southern Ute Indian Tribe contracts and grants with State and Federal Regulations.

**Director of Budget & Planning**  
Closes 8/13/10 - Directs the Tribe's budgeting and planning program to ensure best use of its resources in accordance with Tribal objectives for growth and profitability under the direction of the Chief Financial Officer.

**Grant Writer**  
Closes 8/13/10 - Responsible for planning, writing, editing, and preparing grant applications, conducting prospect/foundation/federal agency research, working closely with Tribal staff members on grant application matters. In addition, the Grant Writer is responsible for monitoring programs to ensure compliance with grant or contract regulations.

**Applications/Web Developer**  
Closes 8/17/10 - Under general direction of Director of Information Systems, develops and maintains Southern Ute Tribal World Wide Web Internet and Intranet capabilities.

**Administrative Assistant**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Performs administrative, secretarial, and clerical support to the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Planning Department. Assists the Planning Director with monitoring and compiling the planning, transportation and project budgets, statistics and reports.

**Recreation Specialist**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Develops, implements, and monitors all recreation programs at SunUte Community Center.

**Front Desk Attendant**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Responsible for assuring an efficient entry and exit point for members of the Community Center, to include providing reception duties to the public by telephone and in person, greeting, screening and assisting customers, monitoring member access control, and maintaining class registration.

**Air Quality Analyst**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Responsible for the operation and maintenance of all air quality monitoring equipment, assuring that all quality assurance objectives are successfully met. This will include data management responsibilities to include reducing data to its appropriate format, producing data reports, and maintaining the data base system.

**Deputy Court Clerk (Part Time)**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Provides professional clerical and program support to the Court system in a professional manner.

**Strengthening Families Program Coordinator**  
Closes 8/18/10 - Under general supervision of the Southern Ute Tribal judges, employee coordinates, implements and manages The Strengthening Families Program, a fourteen session evidence-based parenting skills, teen skills, and family skills training program that involves both teens and parents.

**Court Program Analyst**  
Closes 8/19/10 - The Court Program Analyst works in cooperation with Tribal Court administrators to strategically plan the development of the Court's programs, by statistically measuring the effectiveness of current court programs, researching methods to improve effectiveness, and developing grant proposals to support improvements and funding. This position is partially grant funded. Continued employment is contingent upon renewed funding from the grant.

A great new way to find out about job opportunities 24 hours a day, seven days a week! The job hotline lists the job title and closing date for both Permanent Fund and Growth Fund positions. Full job announcement including qualifications in Human Resource Department. Hotline is updated weekly.  
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BP is currently seeking a: #13344BR DOT and Pipelines Coordinator. For in-depth information on this position and to join our team, visit our website at: [www.bp.com/epcareers](http://www.bp.com/epcareers). Click on the "View Jobs" under the "Operations" category or click "Submit Resume/CV" and then click "Search Openings" and type in Req ID#13344BR. BP is an Equal Opportunity Employer. In compliance with Title 17 of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Employment Rights Code, BP will give preference to individuals covered by the Code for purposes of hiring, promotion, lay-off, and training for work performed within the exterior boundaries of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe Reservation.

Southern Ute Indian Tribe Election Board Member Vacancy

The Southern Ute Indian Tribe has one (1) vacancy for an Alternate Election Board member available for all interested Tribal Members. The board member must be a registered tribal voter, must serve a three (3) year term and must reside on the reservation. The selected individual cannot be a Tribal Council member, a candidate for Tribal Council, and must not have been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving dishonesty or fraud within five (5) years. This is a paid board. All interested Tribal members who would like to serve on the Election Board are urged to pick up an application or submit a letter of intent to the Personnel Department in the Leonard C. Burch Building before 5:00 p.m. on August 27, 2010.

Sky Ute Casino Resort - Job Announcements

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# Trekkers Seek Cultural Exchange

By **Jeremy Wade Shockley**  
*The Southern Ute Drum*

A small group of high school students made their annual pilgrimage to the Southwest last week as part of the *Rocky Mountain Expedition of 2010*. A tour of the Southern Ute Reservation and introductions to tribal council members served as

a cultural exchange for these young students hailing from the State of Maine.

Trekkers is a non-profit, outdoor-based, mentoring program that connects caring adults with young people through expeditionary learning, community service and adventure-based education. Adult Trekkers volunteers work throughout the year, to provide a myriad of educational, experiential, and cross-cultural opportunities for young people, with an emphasis on relationship building and an appreciation of the earth as “educator”- as stated in the Trekkers Mission.

This group of young adults, men and women alike arrived at Veterans Memorial Park to meet with Larry Tucker for a brief overview of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe and proceeded into the Hall of Warriors, where presentations given by Executive Officer Andrew Frost, along with Eddy and

Betty Box, captured the attention of the visiting students. Introductions to tribal council opened the floor to some questions, mediated by program leader Don Carpenter.

Speaking as an ambassador for the Trekkers, one student stood forward and asked Tribal Council, “What is the biggest challenge you face as a tribe?” Vice Chairman Jim Newton Jr. was quick to answer, stating that Sovereignty was the biggest challenge, and that straddling culture and tradition with a modern life presents its share of difficulties.

The Trekkers finished their tour of tribal campus with an informal meeting and introductions of Southern Ute Royalty at the Southern Ute Montessori Academy. The Trekkers tour of tribal campus was held on Monday, August 2.

photos Jeremy Wade Shockley/SU DRUM



Trekkers introduce themselves to tribal council before presenting questions. Larry Tucker, who organized the tour, has helped to bring the Trekkers into Ignacio for a number of years. Tribal elder Betty Box gave some personal accounts of growing up on the reservation and the changes that have been seen by recent generations.



A glimpse of the Chimney Rock Archeological site is framed by dynamic views of surrounding landscapes. Certain kivas are opened up to traditional dancers during the Annual Cultural Gathering. Susan Yalom, a volunteer in her second season at the site, explains the significance of some artifacts used by the Ancestral Puebloans who inhabited this site around approximately 1000-1100 AD. Southern Ute Drum Intern, Gregory Bison, inspects the instrumentation used by fire lookouts in the early 20th century. The Historic Fire Lookout, which sits at 7,600 feet, is set for removal by the end of this season, in hopes of returning the site to its original state.

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## Chimney Rock • from page 1

between the two pinnacles of stone that define Chimney Rock.

The natural rock formations can easily be seen from modern day reservation lands, as one is fishing at lake Capote to the East, or travelling past on Highway 160. The twin towers stand above the horizon line, a geographic marker throughout history, now a monument to the past. There is no doubt that the early Ute bands that frequented this region would have used the spires as a landmark.

Other involvements between the early Utes and the Chimney Rock site, or its ancient people, remain a mystery. “My understanding is that the arrival of the Utes in this region occurred almost 200 to 400 years after the Ancestral Puebloans left,”

said Les Linton, a longstanding staff member at the archeological site. Morris agrees, early in the 1100’s the Ancestral Puebloans moved away from Chimney Rock Cuesta and the immediate surrounding valleys.

As geographical fate would have it, this historic site now borders the sovereign nation of the Southern Ute Indian Tribe. It is clear that the land on which we live has seen great cultural and geographical shifts throughout the ages. We may never completely understand the complex history of this landscape or those who lived on it before us, but we can appreciate the significance of the site and the role it has played in shaping this region.



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